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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT RECEIVED

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, §§ 1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements filed in the instant application on February 17, 2000 and June 1, 2002, Applicant hereby calls the following documents, which were cited in a Canadian Office Action issued on September 25, 2002 for corresponding Canadian Patent Application No. 2,290,406, to the Examiner's attention:

Unexamined Japanese Patent Publication No. HEI 9-284200, published on October 31, 1997. Applicant notes that this document was previously submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the instant application on February 17, 2000, and thus, a copy of the same is not attached hereto; and

Canadian Patent No. 2,211,619, published on June 5, 1997.

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Applicant notes that the relevance of each of the above-mentioned documents with respect to the various claims of the Canadian application, as well as the relevant passages of these documents, is as discussed in the Canadian Office Action, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider all of the above materials and cite the documents. Copies of the above-noted documents (except JP 9-284200) are enclosed and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also enclosed hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Since this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted subsequent to the issuance of an Office Action on the merits, Applicant has provided below a statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), and thus, believe that no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), the undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. Of course, this statement does not apply to information that has previously been cited by Applicant or the Examiner in the present application as that information is already of record and no certification is necessary.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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